Europe District recognizes German Bauamts during partnering session

Col. James M. Barry, Commander of Europe District, presented Silver Castle awards to German Bauamts for their outstanding achievements during an FY98 Program Execution work group meeting held in June.

The recipients included:

- Guentar Lupatsch of Landesvermoegens-und Bauabteilung Mainz
 - for his assistance in developing and testing a cost control process to improve management of the ABG 5 request for change order. He worked with the Corps of Engineers to introduce a cost control system to enhance funding accountability and recommended changes to the ABG 5 process to expedite handling which are currently under consideration.
- Wilhelm Heitzeberg of Staatsbauamt, Trier —

for timely design and construction award of Air Force Dormitories 2 and 3 at Spangdahlem Air Base. This \$10 million quality of life project is a continuation of the new standard, 1 + 1 design for U.S. Air Force dormitories in Europe.

- Thomas Schumacher of Staatsbauamt, Kaiserslautern
 - for expediting the design and award for the new temporary lodging facility at Ramstein Air Base. He successfully adapted a U.S. standard design to local German standards so this high-visibility facility could be awarded on schedule.
- Winfried Schuch, Manfred Bombeiter, Herman Eisenhut, Reiner Mayer, and
 Wilfried Schlarb of Staatsbauamt, Idar-Oberstein (Lager Aulenbach) —
 for exceptional customer care in support of the construction of the Lagerhof Guesthouse addition in
 Baumholder. Together, they involved the hotel manager, supported the customer's requirements, and
 made her part of the construction team. They proactively identified construction difficulties and
 provided solutions that kept the work on schedule.
- Rudolph Eigenschenk, Gerd Weichel and Volker Kremp of Staatsbauamt, Idar-Oberstein —

for exceptional achievement in executing the design for the barracks renovation program at Baumholder. Eigenschenk, Weichel and Kremp were instrumental in expediting design activities and overcoming numerous technical problems to successfully complete 16 projects worth \$50 million between October 1996 and January 1998. Their proactive cooperation with the Corps of Engineers, USAREUR and the 104th ASG permitted implementation of changing design criteria with minimal delays to project award.

- Dorothea Cramblett of Staatsbauamt Idar-Oberstein (Lager Aulenbach)
 - for exceptional support to the Corps of Engineers, Europe District project engineers in their dealings with the Staatsbauamt. In addition to her professional assistance with translations, Cramblett generously tutored Europe District personnel in the German language during her spare time. Cramblett's personal warmth and friendliness contributed immeasurably to building a true partnering relationship between the Corps' Baumholder Resident Office and the Bauleitung Aulenbach.
- Peter Kubaszek of Staatsbauamt, Wiesbaden —
 for diligent management of priority renovation work in the Wiesbaden military

community. Kubaszek expeditiously completed three family housing repair projects totaling \$11 million which helped the 221st Base Support Battalion improve quality of life for 173 Army families. At the American Arms Office Complex, he organized roof repairs and parking lot renovations that were essential to smooth business operations for the Defense Logistics Agency and the Department of Defense Dependent Schools.

• Horst Nothnagel of Staatsbauamt, Frankfurt —

for exceptional achievement in overcoming all hurdles in the successful design, award, and construction of the new communications tower in Hanau. Nothnagel's dedicated effort also greatly enhanced the design and ongoing construction management of the Hanau Military Community's Energy Management and Controls System. His outstanding support of the Corps of Engineers, 5th Signal Command, and the 104th Area Support Group reflects great credit upon himself and the Staatsbauamt, Frankfurt.

• Tilo Grabowski of Staatsbauamt, Frankfurt —

for exceptional achievements in support of a variety of important projects for the 104th Area Support, 5th Signal Command and the Corps of Engineers. Grabowski managed thefirst designs for family housing renovations at Pioneer Village, which have become the standard for future projects. He efficiently overcame all hurdles in the successful design, award, and construction of the new 5th Signal communications tower in Hanau. He also greatly enhanced the design and ongoing construction management of Energy Management and Controls Systems.

Dietmar Feist of Staatliches Hochbauamt, Nuernburg —

for exceptional achievement in meeting an extremely tight design and award schedule to upgrade eight fuel stations from February to June 1998. Thanks to Feist's extraordinary efforts, the U.S. Forces were able to meet the deadline for implementation of new environmental regulations and continue operating mission-essential gas stations and fuel points in the Ansbach military community.

• Thomas Allkofer of Staatliches Hochbauamt, Regensburg —

for exceptional performance of contract management in support of U.S. Forces projects in Hohenfels. Due to his professional leadership and guidance, contracts were expeditiously awarded and complex contractual issues were quickly coordinated and resolved and projects ran smoothly from design to award and construction.

Josef Fiegl and Harald Mueller of Staatliches Hochbauamt, Regensburg —

for exceptional efforts in managing the design of the bowling center addition at Hohenfels. This project will have a significant impact on the quality of life for the soldiers and families located at Hohenfels. Fiegl and Mueller participated in a true team effort to provide a state-of-the-art recreation facility for all members of the community. Awarded to industry ahead of schedule, their cooperative efforts have directly impacted the aggressive advertisement and award schedule.

• Oskar Ernst of Staatliches Hochbauamt, Wuerzburg —

for exceptional efforts in identifying and taking advantage of cost savings opportunities at barracks Building 123 in Kitzingen. Ernst saved DM185,000 on the project by changing the prescribed method of demolition of concrete floor slabs to allow partial demolition and reconstruction. His efforts im proved quality of life for single soldiers.